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TAGS: PINT, PN, OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY)
SUBJECT: PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT INJECTS PRESIDENT CARTER
INTO PANAMANIAN POLITICS

1. "CARTER: ONE MORE TORRIJOS MAN" (UN TORRIJISTA MAS)
IS THE HEADLINE ON A FULL-PAGE NEWSPAPER AD IN THE
JUNE 21 "LA REPUBLICA". THE AD IS ATTRIBUTED TO THE
POLITICAL COMMITTEE OF ERSA (EDITORIA RENOVACION, S.A.,
THE GOVERNMENT-SUBSIDIZED PUBLISHING HOUSE WHICH PUTS OUT
"CRITICA", "MATUTINO" AND "DOMINICAL" AS WELL AS
"LA REPUBLICA"). THE AD CARRIES THE FULL TEXT OF PRESI-
DENT CARTER'S REMARKS AT THE JUNE 16 DINNER AT PANAMA'S
OLD GOLF CLUB, IN WHICH HE SPOKE FAVORABLY OF GENERAL
TORRIJOS. IT IS ILLUSTRATED BY A LARGE PHOTO OF ONE OF
THE MULTILATERAL MEETINGS HELD HERE DURING THE
PRESIDENT'S VISIT.

2. THE SAME EDITION OF "LA REPUBLICA" CARRIES A
PROMINENT FRONT-PAGE BOX CALLING ATTENTION TO THE AD.
IT ALSO CARRIES THE HEADLINE "CARTER: ONE MORE
TORRIJISTA". THE STORY INDICATES THAT THE POLITICAL
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COMMITTEE OF ERSA IS GOING TO PRINT AND DISTRIBUTE 30,000
REPRODUCTIONS OF THAT PAGE AS FLYERS.

3. THIS AD, WITH ITS PROMINENT PLAY, ALMOST SURELY
COULD NOT HAVE BEEN CARRIED WITHOUT ORDERS FROM THE TOP
HERE. JUST AS TORRIJOS (OR AT LEAST HIS PEOPLE) LATCHES
ONTO THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH AS POLITICAL FODDER, THE

OPPOSITION IS SURE TO ANGRILY DENOUNCE IT AS INTERVENTION
-- OR AT LEAST UNNECESSARY IDENTIFICATION OF THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WITH ANOTHER NON-
DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY IN LATIN AMERICA. MOORE

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